

SENATE BILL No. 571

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

Citations Affected: IC 9-18.

Synopsis: Hoosier farm heritage license plate. Creates an Indiana farm heritage trust special group recognition license plate. Provides that an Indiana farm heritage trust special group recognition license plate may be displayed on a passenger motor vehicle, a truck registered as a truck with a declared gross weight of not more than 11,000 pounds, a recreational vehicle, or on a truck with a declared gross weight of at least 11,000 pounds that is used by the owner or guest occupant in connection with agricultural pursuits usual and normal to the user's farm operation. Provides that a vehicle bearing a farm heritage trust license plate may be used for any lawful purpose. Specifies the method of distribution for the funds deposited in the Indiana farm heritage trust fund.

Effective: January 1, 2003.

Hershman

January 23, 2001, read first time and referred to Committee on Transportation and Interstate Cooperation.



C
o
p
y

First Regular Session 112th General Assembly (2001)

PRINTING CODE. Amendments: Whenever an existing statute (or a section of the Indiana Constitution) is being amended, the text of the existing provision will appear in this style type, additions will appear in **this style type**, and deletions will appear in ~~this style type~~.

Additions: Whenever a new statutory provision is being enacted (or a new constitutional provision adopted), the text of the new provision will appear in **this style type**. Also, the word **NEW** will appear in that style type in the introductory clause of each SECTION that adds a new provision to the Indiana Code or the Indiana Constitution.

Conflict reconciliation: Text in a statute in *this style type* or ~~this style type~~ reconciles conflicts between statutes enacted by the 2000 General Assembly.

SENATE BILL No. 571

A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning motor vehicles and to make an appropriation.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

- 1 SECTION 1. IC 9-18-15-1, AS AMENDED BY P.L.222-1999,
2 SECTION 9, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
3 JANUARY 1, 2003]: Sec. 1. (a) A person who is the registered owner
4 or lessee of a:
5 (1) passenger motor vehicle;
6 (2) motorcycle;
7 (3) recreational vehicle; or
8 (4) vehicle registered as a truck with a declared gross weight of
9 not more than:
10 (A) eleven thousand (11,000) pounds;
11 (B) nine thousand (9,000) pounds; or
12 (C) seven thousand (7,000) pounds;
13 registered with the bureau or who makes an application for an original
14 registration or renewal registration of a vehicle may apply to the bureau
15 for a personalized license plate to be affixed to the vehicle for which
16 registration is sought instead of the regular license plate.
17 (b) A person who:



C
o
p
y

(1) is the registered owner or lessee of a vehicle described in subsection (a); and

(2) is eligible to receive a license plate for the vehicle under:

- (A) IC 9-18-17 (prisoner of war license plates);
- (B) IC 9-18-18 (disabled veteran license plates);
- (C) IC 9-18-19 (purple heart license plates);
- (D) IC 9-18-20 (Indiana national guard license plates);
- (E) IC 9-18-21 (Indiana guard reserve license plates);
- (F) IC 9-18-22 (license plates for persons with disabilities);
- (G) IC 9-18-23 (amateur radio operator license plates);
- (H) IC 9-18-24 (civic event license plates);
- (I) IC 9-18-25 (special group recognition license plates);
- (J) IC 9-18-29 (environmental license plates);
- (K) IC 9-18-30 (children's trust license plates);
- (L) IC 9-18-31 (education license plates);
- (M) IC 9-18-32.2 (drug free Indiana trust license plates);
- (N) IC 9-18-33 (Indiana FFA trust license plates);
- (O) IC 9-18-34 (Indiana firefighter license plates);
- (P) IC 9-18-35 (Indiana food bank trust license plates);
- (Q) IC 9-18-36 (Indiana girl scouts trust license plates);
- (R) IC 9-18-37 (Indiana boy scouts trust license plates);
- (S) IC 9-18-38 (Indiana retired armed forces member license plates);
- (T) IC 9-18-39 (Indiana antique car museum trust license plates);
- (U) IC 9-18-40 (D.A.R.E. Indiana trust license plates);
- (V) IC 9-18-41 (Indiana arts trust license plates);
- (W) IC 9-18-42 (Indiana health trust license plates);
- (X) IC 9-18-43 (Indiana mental health trust license plates);
- (Y) IC 9-18-44 (Indiana Native American Trust license plates);
- (Z) IC 9-18-45.8 (Pearl Harbor survivor license plates); ~~or~~
- (AA) IC 9-18-46.2 (Indiana state educational institution trust license plates); ~~or~~
- (BB) IC 9-18-47 (Indiana Farm Heritage trust license plates);**

may apply to the bureau for a personalized license plate to be affixed to the vehicle for which registration is sought instead of the regular special recognition license plate.

SECTION 2. IC 9-18-25-7 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2003]: Sec. 7. **(a) Except as provided in subsection (b),** a special group recognition license plate



issued under this chapter may be displayed on the following:

- (1) A passenger motor vehicle.
- (2) A truck registered as a truck with a declared gross weight of not more than eleven thousand (11,000) pounds.
- (3) A recreational vehicle.

(b) A farm heritage trust special group recognition license plate issued under IC 9-18-47 may be displayed on a truck registered as a truck with a declared gross weight of at least eleven thousand (11,000) pounds that is used by the owner or guest occupant in connection with agricultural pursuits usual and normal to the user's farm operation and subject to IC 9-29-5-13.

SECTION 3. IC 9-18-25-12 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2003]: Sec. 12. (a) Except as provided in ~~subsection~~ **subsections (c) and (d)**, a vehicle bearing a special group recognition license plate issued under this chapter may be used only for private and personal purposes.

(b) A person who does not qualify for the special group recognition license plate may not display a special group recognition license plate on a vehicle the person is required to register.

(c) A vehicle:

- (1) owned by a corporation (as defined in IC 6-5.5-1-6), a municipal corporation (as defined in IC 36-1-2-10), a partnership (as defined in IC 6-3-1-19), or a sole proprietor; and
- (2) bearing an environmental license plate issued under IC 9-18-29;

may be used for any lawful purpose.

(d) A vehicle bearing a farm heritage trust license plate issued under IC 9-18-47 may be used for any lawful purpose.

SECTION 4. IC 9-18-47 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A NEW CHAPTER TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2003]:

Chapter 47. Indiana Farm Heritage Trust License Plates

Sec. 1. The bureau of motor vehicles shall design and issue an Indiana farm heritage trust license plate. The Indiana farm heritage trust license plate must be designed and issued as a special group recognition license plate under IC 9-18-25.

Sec. 2. After December 31, 2002, a person who is eligible to register a vehicle under this title is eligible to receive an Indiana farm heritage trust license plate under this chapter upon doing the following:

- (1) Completing an application for an Indiana farm heritage trust license plate.**

C
o
p
y



(2) Paying the fees under section 3 of this chapter.

Sec. 3. (a) The fees for an Indiana farm heritage trust license plate are as follows:

(1) The appropriate fee under IC 9-29-5-38(a).

(2) An annual fee of twenty-five dollars (\$25).

(b) The bureau shall collect the annual fee described in subsection (a)(2).

(c) The annual fee described in subsection (a)(2) must be deposited in the fund established by section 4 of this chapter.

Sec. 4. (a) The Indiana farm heritage trust fund is established.

(b) The treasurer of state shall invest the money in the fund not currently needed to meet the obligations of the fund in the same manner as other public trust funds are invested. Interest that accrues from these investments shall be deposited in the fund. Money in the fund is continuously appropriated for the purposes of this section.

(c) The commissioner shall administer the fund. Expenses of administering the fund shall be paid from money in the fund.

(d) On June 30 of each year, the commissioner shall distribute the money from the fund to the office of agricultural research programs at Purdue University operated under IC 20-12-44.1-1.

(e) Money in the fund at the end of a state fiscal year does not revert to the state general fund.

C
o
p
y

